



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

County Counsel

At its meeting held July 26, 2005, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“It is a deplorable situation when families cannot enjoy the public resources available at a County park because of the presence of gang members who monopolize the facilities and intimidate any who approach them. Resources are scarce and law enforcement cannot step in unless an actual crime has been committed. In the meantime, families are held hostage within their own homes and are unable to enjoy the public resources they have every right to enjoy.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board instructed County Counsel to:

1. Convene a Task Force to include representatives from the Departments of the Sheriff, District Attorney, Public Defender, Public Safety, and Parks and Recreation, to develop recommendations on what steps are necessary to take back County Parks from alleged gang members who monopolize the facilities and intimidate anyone who approaches them; and
2. Report back to the Board with the Task Force's recommendations on August 9, 2005 at 11:00 a.m.

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Acting Director of Public Works
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Sheriff
District Attorney

July 27, 2005

The Honorable Leroy D. Baca
Sheriff, Los Angeles County
Sherman Block Sheriff's Headquarters
4700 Ramona Boulevard, 4th Floor
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Dear Sheriff Baca:

At its meeting held July 27, 2005, on motion of Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors took actions as indicated in the enclosed minute order relating to the convening of a Task Force in partnership with the Departments of the County Counsel, District Attorney, Public Defender, Public Safety, and Parks and Recreation, to develop recommendations to take back County Parks from gang members.

Very truly yours,

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Enclosure

July 27, 2005

The Honorable Steve Cooley
District Attorney
Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center
210 West Temple Street, Room 18-709C
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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